Grazing Program Overview

Lincoln County works collaboratively with the Marathon County Conservation, Planning, and Zoning Department to provide grazing services. These services promote implementing managed grazing and performing education and outreach activities. Cost sharing is available on a first-come, firstserve basis.

Eligible practices include but are not limited to:

- Grazing management plans
- Fencing (permanent)
- Establishing permanent pasture (No-Till drills are available to rent)
- Livestock watering facilities

Invasive Species Program Overview

There are services available to help with both aquatic and terrestrial species monitoring and control.

For some of these services, Lincoln County partners with the Wisconsin Headwaters Invasive Partnership (WHIP). Lincoln County also has its own program for aquatic invasive species. Inquire for more information.

Conservation Program Overview

Lincoln County's conservation goals are:

- 1. Improve soil health
- 2. Protect and improve groundwater and surface water quality
- 3. Control the spread of terrestrial and aquatic invasive species
- 4. Improve forest silviculture for multiple uses
- 5. Promote well planned development

How Do We Achieve Our Goals?

The Lincoln County Land Services Department works with landowners and operators to provide technical and/or financial assistance to implement conservation practices. Every year there is cost-sharing available to help in this process.

Consultations are free and on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Contact us!

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Lincoln County Conservation Program

Working with landowners for technical and financial assistance to implement soil and water conservation practices.

Agriculture Program Overview

Lincoln County can assist with survey, design, construction supervision, and cost-sharing of agricultural practices.

Eligible practices include but are not limited to:

- Access road
- Barnyard runoff control system
- Contour farming
- Cover crops
- Diversions
- Field windbreaks
- Filter strips
- Grade stabilization structures
- Livestock trail and walkways
- Manure storage systems
- Manure storage closure
- Milking center control systems
- Nutrient management plans
- Relocating or abandoning animal feeding operations
- Residue management
- Roofs
- Roof runoff systems
- Sediment basins
- Strip-cropping
- Subsurface drains
- Terrace systems
- Underground outlets
- Waste transfer systems
- Wastewater treatment strip
- Water and sediment control basins
- Waterway systems
- More

Shoreline Restoration Program Overview

Lincoln County can assist with survey design, construction supervision, and cost-sharing of shoreline stabilization/restoration practices.

Eligible practices include but are not limited to:

- Critical area stabilization (establishing permanent vegetative cover on erosive soils)
- Riparian buffer establishment
- Stream bank and lakeshore protection
- Stream crossings

Other Cost-Shareable Practices

- Well decommissioning
- Wetland restoration
- Wildlife crop damage
- Sinkhole treatment

"Conservation is a state of harmony between men and land." – Aldo Leopold



Conservation Outreach

Lincoln County provides conservation outreach to a variety of community members and organizations.

Below is a list of community outreach opportunities/efforts:

- Pasture walks for farmers interested in managed grazing
- Lake Association/District meeting attendance
- School outreach events for various topics
- Community outreach events for various topics